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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al

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ARAKI, Sadao et al

Sworn Deposition

Deponent ; -- IwaMaTSU, Goro

Having first duly sworn an oath as on attached sheet and in accordance with the procedure followed in my country I hereby demose as follows.

Imperial University in 1924 and joined the service of the Eureau of Common Educational Affairs of the Ministry of Education in April, 1925.

I was appointed Professor of a neval educational institution in 1927, but rejoined the service of the Education Ministry in December, 1932 in connection with the reform of the Youth Training Institute.

I went through the posts of Chief of the Section of Educational
Affairs of the Bureau of Common Educational Affairs, Chief of the Section
of Archives and Correspondence of the Minister's Secretariat, Chief of

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the Section of the Secretariat, and Chief of the Bureau of Indu. All Educational Affairs in succession. I was Chief of the Section of Archives and Correspondence during Marquis KIDO's tenure of office as Minister of Education from October, 1937 to June, 1938.

- 2. I did not know, and I know of no one of the Education Ministry authorities who had any knowledge about the relations between the Shu Ho and the Tokyo Gazette at that time.
- 3. The articles in the Shu Ho were almost all published under the names of the respective Ministrias.
- 4. The editorial authorities of the Shu Ho used to commission the Chiefs of the Section of Archives and Correspondence, the divisions concerned or Vice-Minister of the various government departments to write articles for their weekly. When the manuscripts was a roady, they were sent to the Chiefs of the Sections of Archives and Correspondence of the various government departments who sought approval of the Vice-Minister before passing them on to the Editorial Office of the Shu Ho.
- 5. The article, entitled the "Nihon Seishin no Koyo" (Enlancement of the Japanese Spirit) which was published by the Shu II in its 69th issue under the neme of the Education Ministry was handled by me when I was Chief of the Section of Arabives and Companyondence of the Education Ministry. As it was handled through the above-mentioned

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process, I did not refer it to Education Minister KIDO or approval, nor did I submit any report to him after its appearance in the Shu Ho. Therefore, he had nothing to do with it. I do not recall who wrote the article, and I have been unable to find out, although I have recently made an investigation.

On this 22 day of July, 1947 at I.M.T.F.E.

DEPONENT /S/ IWAMATSU, Goro (seal)

I, <u>KIDO</u>, <u>Takahiko</u> hereby certify that the above statement was sworn by the Deponent, who affixed his signature and seal thereto in the presence of this Witness.

On the same date

At same place

Witness: /S/ KIDO, Takahiko (seal)

OATH

In accordance with my conscience I swear to tell be whole truth withholding nothing and adding nothing.

/5/ IMMATSU, Goro (seal)

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